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SUBJECT: RESPONSE OF UN AFFILIATED NGOS TO SECTION 102 (G)
PEDOPHILIA CERTIFICATION

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1. Summary. In response to reftel, the following information is provided on United Nations agencies and affiliated agencies with respect to the statutory certification requirement on pedophilia contained in Section 102(G) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995, as amended. For the reasons stated below, we do not believe that any of the organizations reviewed grant official status, accreditation, or recognition to any organization which promotes and condones or seeks the legalization of pedophilia or has subsidiaries or member organizations that do. End Summary.

2. Action taken by Mission: The Mission obtained lists of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) affiliated with UN organizations headquartered in Geneva and requested the views of an informed representative of each UN body on whether the affiliated NGOs promote and condone or seek the legalization of pedophilia. Appropriate Mission officers then reviewed the lists of affiliated NGOs for further verification. These lists are being pouched to IO/SHA. Information on each Geneva-based UN agency or organization reviewed is provided below.

WHO

3. World Health Organization (WHO): WHO has 184 affiliated NGOs. Dr. B. Kean, Director, Governance for Assistant Director-General, External Relations and Governing Bodies, stated in writing that "WHO has no reason to believe that any of the NGOs in official relations with WHO promote, condone, or seek the legalization of pedophilia." The Mission Health Attache reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that suggests the certification provided by Dr. Kean is untrue.

ILO

4. International Labor Organization (ILO): Mr. Guido Raimondi, Deputy Legal Adviser, provided a list of Employers and Workers Cooperatives, and NGOs affiliated with the ILO. Mr. Raimondi stated "the ILO can confidently certify that no organization which promotes and condones or seeks the legalization of pedophilia or has subsidiaries or members that do so has been granted consultative status or been included in the special list." The Mission Labor Attache reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that would contradict the ILO legal adviser's certification.

UNHCR

5. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR): The High Commissioner for Refugees, Antonio Guterres, provided the Mission with a list of UNHCR's affiliated NGOs and stated "to my knowledge, the non-governmental organizations affiliated with my office do not condone, promote or seek the legalization of pedophilia." The Refugee and Migration Affairs section reviewed the list of NGOs affiliated with UNHCR. The majority of the groups were familiar to the Mission. Based on this review Mission Geneva is not in possession of any information that would contradict UNHCR's certification.

UNITAR

6. United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR): Mr. Marcel Boisard, UN Assistant Secretary General and Executive Director of UNITAR, provided a list of NGOs affiliated with UNITAR. In his letter, Mr. Boisard "affirmed that UNITAR has no affiliation whatsoever with any NGOs who promote and condone or seek the legalization of pedophilia." The Mission Economic Counselor reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that indicates UNITAR is in violation of relevant U.S. statutes.

WIPO

7. World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO): The Mission received a list of organizations affiliated with WIPO from Kamil Idris, the Director General, who stated "I have the pleasure to confirm that WIPO does not grant any official status, accreditation or recognition to any organization that

condones, promotes or seeks the legalization of pedophilia." The list of organizations was reviewed by the Mission's Economic Counselor and she is not in possession of any information that indicates the statement provided by Mr. Idris is untrue.

UPOV

18. Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV): Dr. Rolf Jordens, UPOV Vice Secretary-General, confirmed that UPOV is not affiliated in any way with any intergovernmental or non-governmental organization that promotes, condones, or seeks the legalization of pedophilia. The Mission economic officer who covers UPOV reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that suggests the information provided by UPOV is untrue.

UNCTAD

19. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD): Ms. Jo Elizabeth Butler, Secretary to the Trade and Development Board and Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs and Outreach Service, provided Mission with a list of NGOs with observer status with UNCTAD and confirms that, "according to the information available to us, the NGOs having observer status with our organization have not been identified as promoting or seeking the legalization of pedophilia." The economic officer who covers UNCTAD reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that suggest the information provided is untrue.

WMO

10. World Meteorological Organization (WMO): WMO Secretary General Michel Jarraud provided the Mission with a list of affiliated NGOs. In his letter Mr. Jarraud stated that "to the best of our knowledge," none of the NGOs or their subsidiaries promote, condone or seek legalization of pedophilia. The Mission economic officer who covers WMO reviewed the list and is not in possession of any information that suggests the statement provided by Mr. Jarraud is untrue.

UNRISD

11. United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD): UNRISD is unaware of any pro-pedophilia activities or positions taken by any NGOs cooperating with UNRISD. Should they come across any information to the contrary, they would bring the matter to the attention of the Legal Office of the United Nations.

12. We are awaiting responses from the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) and Universal Postal Union (UPU). The information will be sent in a separate telegram.

13. Mission will send by registered mail a copy of responses to the attention of Director, IO/SHA under registry number 6132715.
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